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*E Registro Curie Prerogativa
Cant. Extract.*

IN the Name of the ever Blessed,
most Holy, and undivided Trinity,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy
Ghost, *Amen.* I GEORGE HICKES,
D. D. being in Good Health, and
of sound, perfect, disposing Mind and
Memory, do revoke all former Wills
by me at any time heretofore made;
and

and do make, publish and declare this only to be my Last Will and Testament, in manner following, viz.

First, I bequeath and resign my Immaterial and Immortal Soul to God who created it after his own Image, and redeemed it by the most precious Blood of Jesus Christ; by whose alone Merits I hope for the Remission of all my Sins, and happy reunion of my Soul and Body, at the Resurrection of the Just to Life Eternal.

Secondly, I bequeath my Mortal Body to the Ground, from whence it was originally taken, to be Buried in the West End of St. Margaret's Church-Yard in Westminster, as near to the Wall of the West end of that Church-Yard as the Grave can be made, and that a flat Marble Stone be laid over my Grave with this Inscription,

DEPOSITUM,
GEORGII HICKES. S. T. P.
*Non ita pridem Coll. Linc. Oxon, Socij,
Et Ecclesie Cathedralis Wigorniensis
Decani,*

Qui obiit [15 die Decembris, A. D. 1715.]

And

And I do direct my Executors here-in-after-named, to apply any Sum not exceeding Eighty Pounds, to the whole Expence of my Burial; and I pray God of his Infinite Mercy to prepare me for my Death, *Amen.*

Thirdly, As to the Worldly Estate, which God of his Goodness hath bestowed on me, I dispose thereof in manner following.

First, I give to my dearly beloved Wife, and most faithful and chearful Fellow Sufferer, if she Survive me, all my Plate, Pictures, Brass, Pewter, Beds and Bedding, Linnen of all Sorts, and all other my Household-Stuff, and Furniture; and all ready Money belonging to me that shall be found in my House, at the Time of my Decease: Together with the Sum of One Thousand One Hundred Pounds, which Sum I direct my Executors to pay her by such Bonds or Mortgages as she shall please to chuse to that value out of my whole Estate; which Bonds or Mortgages so by her chosen to the value of the said One Thousand One Hundred Pounds,
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are to be delivered over to her, with all Writings, Deeds, and Evidences relating to the same.

Secondly, I give to my said Dear Wife, during the Term of her natural Life, all the Income and yearly Produce of that Debt which I have in the Chamber of *London*, commonly known or called by the Name of the *Orphans Debt*, as the same shall from Time to Time become due and payable, by virtue of an Act, Entituled, *An Act for Relief of the said Orphans*. And after her Decease I give and devise the said Debt unto Mr. *Thomas Bowdler*, desiring him to give the same after his Decease, unto his Son *John*.

Thirdly, I give and devise to my said Dear Wife, *Frances Hickes*, and to the said *Thomas Bowdler*, whom I make Executors of this my Last Will and Testament, and to the Survivors of them, all my Books, and all Moneys or Sums of Money due, or owing to me from any Person or Persons whatsoever, at the Time of my Decease, and all my Estates Real and Personal, and all

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all other my Goods and Chattels of what Nature or Kind soever. In Trust nevertheless, and to the Intent and Purpose that my said Executors, or the Survivor of them, or the Executors or Administrators of such Survivor shall with all convenient speed make Sale after my Decease of all my said Books, and all other my Estates, Goods, and Chattels for the best Price that can be got for the same, and that they shall recover and receive, as fast as they can get the same, all such Sum and Sums of Money as are due and owing unto me from any Person whatsoever, the Produce whereof I do hereby direct my said Executors to dispose of in manner following, viz.

First, I direct them to make payment of all my just Debts. Then I direct them to pay unto Mr. William Brome of Ewithington, in the County of Hereford, One Hundred Pounds, in Trust and for the Use and Benefit of his Eldest Daughter, that shall be Living at the Time of Executing my Will, to be paid by him (without Interest) to such Daughter at her

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Marriage, or Age of One and Twenty Years.

I likewise give to my God-daughter, Mrs. *Elizabeth Lawton*, the Sum of One Hundred Pounds, and in Case she shall not be Living at the Time of Executing this my Will, then I give the same unto her Father *Charles Lawton*, Esq;

I give unto Mr. *Thomas Bowdler*, my Executor above-named, the Sum of One Hundred Pounds, to be paid him immediately upon my Death, and if he Dies before me, then I give the same unto his Eldest Daughter.

I give unto Doctor *Hans Sloane*, as a small Testimony of my Gratitude and great Esteem for him, the Sum of Five Guineas.

My Will is, That my Executors shall not be liable to, or chargeable with any Loss or Damages that may attend my Estate by bad Debts, or other Casualties; and that they take the Advice in all Matters wherein they

they shall want it, of *Francis Annesley*, Esq; of the *Inner-Temple*, Counsellor at Law, whom I do make Over-seer of this my Will, humbly beseeching him to be Aiding and Assisting to my Executors in Matters of Law, or otherwise, in the Execution of the same. And as a Testimony of my Respect and Thankfulness to him for all his Favours and Kindnesses to me, I give him Twenty Pounds, and Thirty Shillings to buy a Piece of Plate in remembrance of me; which Sum I direct my Executors to pay him immediately after my Decease.

As for my RELIGION, I make this Declaration in the Presence of Almighty God, That as I have hitherto profess'd to Live, so by God's Grace I unfeignedly purpose to continue till Death in the Faith and Communion of the Church of *England* as by Law Established, since the Reformation, as I have also Testified at large in a Declaration interlined and Signed with my own Hand. And I beseech God of his Mercy to this Church, to restore to it, all the Spiritual Rights,

full Powers, Immunities, and Jurisdictions, which by the Laws of God, and the Nature and Constitution of the one Holy Catholick, Apostolick Church belong to every Member of it. I also pray to his Infinite Majesty, That it would please him in Mercy to his Kingdom, to Inspire our Superiours with an effectual and speedy Resolution, to make a National Attonement for the Sacrilege of which the Nation hath been long guilty, by a Pious Restitution to the Church of all the Lands, Tythes, and Offerings which belong to her Priests. Beseeching him also to send an Holy Spirit of Reformation upon the Princes, the Priests, and the People of this Lland, to Reform whatsoever is amiss, and to Supply what is wanting and defective in the Discipline of the Church, Amen.

This I declare to be my Last Will and Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this Twenty-third Day of November, 1713.

GEO. HICKES.

Signed,

Signed, Sealed, Published, and Declared by the Testator, to be his Last Will and Testament, in the Presence of us, who have Subscribed our Names, as Witnesses hereunto in the Presence of the said Testator.

*Hen. Gandy,
Tho. Wagstaffe,
Caro. Payne.*



WHEREAS I GEORGE HICKES, D. D. have already made my Last Will and Testament, bearing Date the 23d Day of November, 1713. Now be it known unto all Men, That I the said George Hickes, being of sound Mind and Memory, do hereby further Will and Declare, That this Codicil be annex'd to my said Will, and taken as part of it.

First

First, I give unto Mrs. *Tabitha Marshal*, now Living on *Mill-Bank* in *Westminster*, the Sum of Fifteen Pounds, to buy her Mourning; and also the like Sum of Fifteen Pounds to Mrs. *Cecilia Deacon*, to buy her Mourning.

Item, I give unto the Reverend Mr. *Hilkiah Bedford*, the Sum of Sixty Pounds.

To Mrs. *Carolina Payne*, the Sum of Ten Pounds.

To Mr. *Thomas Bowdler*, my Surviving Executor, the Sum of Ten Pounds for Mourning.

To Dr. *Francis Lea*, the Sum of Five Pounds.

To the Reverend Mr. *John Johnson*, Rector of *Granbrooke* in *Kent*, the Sum of Twelve Pounds, as a Testimony of my great Esteem for him.

To

To Mr. *Thomas L'Estrange*, Five Pounds, and to Mr. *Thomas Deacon* Thirty Pounds; as also Twenty of my unbound Books, Entituled, *Antiqua Literatura Septentrionalis Libri duo*.

Item, I give Five Pounds a-piece to the Two most Virtuous Sisters Mrs. *Lydia* and Mrs. *Jane Nettleton*, as a Testimony of the great Respect I have for them both.

I give the Sum of One Hundred Pounds to be paid unto the Daughter of Mrs. *Alice Keal* (who lived with my late Brother Dr. *Ralph Hickes*) when they shall be Married, or come to the Age of Twenty Years, and that in the mean time the Interest thereof only be Yearly paid her for the same.

Item, I direct that all the Interest that shall be due on Mr. *Spinckes's* Bond to me, be remitted to him; I give the Sum of Fifty Pounds unto my Maid-Servant *Elizabeth Grudwell*, provided she shall be living with me
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at the Time of my Death; and if the Two Servants I now have, or either of them, shall leave me before I Die, and thereby not become Entitled to the Legacies designed them by me, and my late Dear Wife in her Will, I then give Five Pounds a-piece to such other new Servant or Servants as shall be then Living with me, over and above their Wages. I likewise give them all my Wearing Apparel of Woollen, Cotton, and Linen, except my Gowns, Callocks and Hats, which I desire may be bestowed on some one or more indigent Clergyman.

Item, I give a Gold Ring, of the Value of one Guinea, the Fashion included, to such of my Friends mentioned in the enclosed List, as shall be Living at the Time of my Decease.

I direct Twenty Shillings a-piece to be given at the Time of my Decease unto Mr. Meldrum, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Halsehead, and Mrs. Robertson.

I do also direct that the Two Hundred Pounds given by my late Dear Wife to the poor indigent Clergymen, be paid them out of the Debt due to me from *Richard Pearkes* and *John Tresttram*, on Two Bonds, entred into by them to *Dr. Ralph Hicke*, my late Brother, Deceased, as the same can be from Time to Time recovered, and no otherways: And that the same be divided amongst them, and that their Widows, in such proportions as my Executor, with *Mr. Spincks* and *Mr. Annesley*, the Over-seer of my Will, shall think fit.

I give all my Manuscripts, Letters, and Written Papers, relating to any Controversies I have been engag'd in, unto *Mr. Hilkiab Bedford*, with liberty to him to publish in part, or in whole, such of them, as he shall think fit.

I also give him such Printed Books of that kind, as I have published, or to which I have prefixed Prefaces, Letters, or Dedications, as also such Books

as are therein answered by me : And after his Decease, or that he shall have made such Use of them as he shall think proper, I give them all to whom Mr. *Bedford* shall by his Last Will and Testament appoint, as a proper Person, with whom they may be deposited, and with them a Catalogue of them all, as well such as I have already delivered to him, or shall hereafter deliver to him, as all the rest that shall in pursuance hereof be delivered to the said Mr. *Bedford* by my Executor.

I also direct that my Books be Sold by themselves, pure and unmixed with any other Books whatsoever.

And whereas I have by my Will left a small Legacy to Doctor *Sloane*, I do hereby make the same void, having lately made him a present of a greater Value, in Consideration of my great Obligation to him for his Care of, and Kindness to me.

And for the Residue of my Estate, if any there shall be; after Payment
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of my Debts, Funeral Charges, and the several Legacies mention'd in my Will, and this Codicil; and such as are given away with my Consent and Approval by my Wife, I direct the same to be disposed of to such Charitable Purposes as my Executor and the Overseer of my Will shall think fit, according to what I have told them in my Life-time, I do declare this Codicil to be part of my above-mention'd Last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have set my Hand and Seal this 18th Day of July, 1715.

GEORGE HICKES.

Signed, Sealed, Published, and Declared by Dr. *George Hickes*, to be a Codicil to his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of us, after the Interlineation between the Third and Fourth Lines, and between the 10th and 11th Lines, *Henry Doughty, Anne Reves, Mary Nicholas.*

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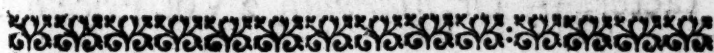
The Names of my Friends to whom
I would have Rings given by my Ex-
ecutor, according to the Direction of
my Codicil, bearing Date the 18 Day
of July, 1715.

Mrs. Anne Howard,
Mrs. Stamp,
Capt. Hatton, and
Mrs. Hatton,
Mr. Archibald Campbell,
Dr. Ralph Taylor,
Mr. Jeremy Collier,
Mr. Hawes,
Mr. Gadderar,
Mr. Maurice,
Mr. Bishop,
Mr. Ralph Lowndes of Lee-
Hall in Cheshire,
Mr. Martin, Rector of St. Mil-
dreds, Poultry, London.
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Mr. Thomas Deacon,
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Mrs. Tucker,
Joseph East of Caerdiffe.

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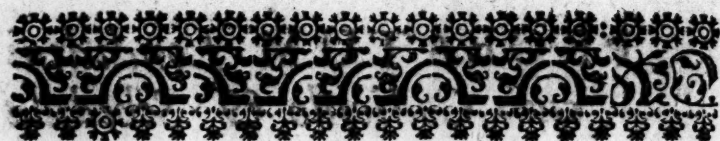
PROBATUM *Londidini*
cum Codicillo & Scheda
annexis coram Domino, &c.
vicesimo Die Mensis De-
cembris Anno Dom. 1715.
Juramento Thomæ Bow-
lder, Arm. Executoris, &c.
Cui, &c. de bene, &c. ju-
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THO. WELHAM, *Reg. Dep.*



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